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1. SCICOUN REVIEWED NOTE ON R/V CLEARENCE PROPOSED IN REFTTEL AND BELIEVES FINAL PARAGRAPH LEAVES AMBIGUITY AS TO WHETHER DEPARTMENT WISHES (A) TO TREAT CLEARENCE ISSUE WHERE USG IS DEFINITELY INVOLVED, IN CONTRAST TO R/V WESTERN REEF CASE, OR (B) TO TREAT GENERAL CASE INVOLVING US RESEARCH WHETHER GOVERNMENTAL OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL.

2. IF CASE (A) EMBASSY SUGGESTS FOLLOWING OR SIMILAR LANGUAGE TO REMOVE AMBIGUITY: CONCERNING COMPLIANCE BY THE USG WITH BRAZIL DECREE 63.164 OF AUGUST 26, 1968, IN THOSE CASES WHERE IT IS APPLICABLE, THE US ACCEPTS MOST FEATURES OF THE DECREE AND APPRECIATES THE GOB'S CONCERN FOR THE CONDUCT OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OFF ITS COASTS. THE PROPER UTILIZATION OF CASTAL AREAS IS ALSO OF PREIME CONCERN TO THE US. PLANNING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROGRAM IS OFTEN DIFFICULT AND RESULTS IN LAST MINUTE SCHDEDULE CHANGES AMD MODIFIED RESEARCH PROGRAMS. THE US WILL CONTINUE TO STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DECREE TO US RESEARCHERS
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SPONSORED BY THE USG AND WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPROPRIATE REQUIREMENTS".

3. IF CASE (B) IS INTENDED, EMBASSY SUGGESTS FOLLOWING LANGUAGE: "CONCERNING COMPLIANCE WITH BRAZIL DECREE 63.164 OF AUGUST 26, 1968, THE USG ACCEPTS MOST FEATURES

OF THE DECREE AND APPRECIATES THE GOB'S CONCERN FOR THE CONDUCT OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OFF ITS COSTS. THE PROPER UTILIZATION OF COASTAL AREAS IS ALSO OF PRIME CONCERN TO THE US. PLANNING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROGRAMS IS OFTEN DIFFICULT AND RESULTS IN LAST MINUTE SCHEDULE CHANGES AND MODIFIED RESEARCH PROGRAMS. DESPITE PROBLEMS IN OBTAINING CLEARANCE UNDER THE DECREE, THE USG WILL CONTINUE TO STRESS ITS IMPORTANCE TO US RESEARCHERS AND WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE THEIR COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPROPRIATE REQUIREMENTS".

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